

# TOWN OF ARLINGTON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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2017 WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

As part of the Town's ongoing Capital Improvement Program, the Department of Public Works will begin a Water Main Rehabilitation Project in select locations as early as late August. The work will be coordinated and monitored by the Department of Public Works and performed by the Town's contractor, GTA Co., Inc.

This year's Water Main Rehabilitation Project will take place on four roadways: Bow Street, Burch Street, Mill Street, and Spring Street (from Jason Street/Pleasant View Road to Hillsdale Road only). Water mains which have reached the end of their useful life will be replaced along each of these streets. New copper service lines will be installed from the new main to the curb-side shutoff valve for each building. Temporary bypass pipes will be installed to maintain water service to each building during the course of construction.

During construction, residents and can expect a heavy presence of construction vehicles and equipment during work hours. Residents should expect on-street parking will be restricted during work hours. The Contractor will make every effort to keep inconveniences to a minimum and the Police Department will provide Traffic Safety Detail Officers to assist with vehicular and pedestrian traffic management, increase work zone safety, and enforce parking restrictions. Residents, drivers, and pedestrians are asked to follow posted instructions, including temporary detours, as applicable.

Further notices will be provided to abutters as necessary and additional project updates will be posted online at arlingtonma.gov/dpwprojects.

Please review the following pages for the answer to some frequently asked questions and for a map showing the work locations. Should you have any additional questions about the project, please contact the Arlington Engineering Division at (781) 316-3320, or wcopithorne@town.arlington.ma.us.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding while we continue to improve Arlington's water distribution system.

# Frequently Asked Questions

# "Will my house/building still be provided with water during construction?"

Temporary bypass mains and services will maintain water service to every building during construction. Residents should expect only minor outages upon the installation and removal of the temporary services, or as required to place the new mains into operation. Any water shutdowns will be coordinated with abutters by the Contractor and/or the Department of Public Works as necessary.

# "Will access be required to my house/building to install the temporary water services?"

Access will generally be required to each building to both install and remove the temporary water services. Access will be coordinated directly with residents by the Contractor and/or the Department of Public Works.

#### "Is the water provided by the temporary bypass pipes safe?"

Water provided by the temporary bypass pipes and services must meet the same strict standards as the permanent water mains and services. Temporary pipes are disinfected prior to being placed in service and testing is completed to verify the water meets all regulatory standards.

# "Will my water service be replaced all the way from the new main to my house/building?"

New copper service pipe will be installed from the new main to the curb-side shutoff valve. Property owners are responsible for the maintenance of their water service from the shutoff valve to the building. Should it be determined that your service (from shutoff valve to the building) is in poor condition, you may choose to have it replaced at your own expense.

#### "How will I be charged for water during construction?"

Users will not be charged for water during the period that temporary bypass services are in operation.

# "Will the road be closed during construction?"

Road closures and detours should be expected during work hours. This may include full or partial road closures. It is requested that residents follow any posted instructions or those given by Traffic Safety Detail Officers. During work hours, vehicular access to abutters' driveways will be maintained to the extent possible, though minor delays may occur when work is occurring directly in front of your house. Residents who cannot reach their house due to detours will be able to park on nearby side streets. The Contractor and Engineering Division will work to accommodate any needs or requests.

# "Will trash/recycling pickup be affected by construction?"

Trash/recycling pickup will continue as normally scheduled during construction.

